For more than four decades, NJHA has honored its members for their commitment to serving their patients, residents and communities. The tradition continues in 2022 with The NJHA Awards, celebrating the people and organizations whose dedication, compassion and innovation fulfill the NJHA mission of improving the health of all New Jerseyans.

The NJHA Awards will be presented June 22, 2022, at Ocean Place Resort & Spa in Long Branch.
NJHA members may submit their nominations through www.njha.com/awards2022 in the following categories:

★ **NJHA Lifetime Achievement Award**
Recognizes the long-term contributions of an NJHA member healthcare CEO, board member or former board member who has demonstrated exemplary leadership, commitment and integrity through a career dedicated to improving the health of the people of New Jersey. Nominees have either recently retired or announced their retirement from a member organization, and have made significant contributions to their organization, the healthcare industry and their community.

★ **NJHA Distinguished Service Award**
Recognizes executive leaders with more than 15 years of combined service to an NJHA member organization. Nominees have been active in NJHA and have demonstrated integrity and superior leadership in improving their organization’s overall performance and service to patients, residents and community members.

★ **Clinical Excellence Award**
Recognizes caregivers who personify a commitment to care that goes above and beyond, as recognized by peers and patients. Nominees may have implemented new or improved policies, procedures, innovations and/or technology to improve health, including in the areas of patient satisfaction, education or access to care for vulnerable populations. Nominees have been active in NJHA, and may include doctors, nurses, pharmacists or other clinicians, including individuals, groups or units.
**Emerging Leader Award**
Recognizes newer members of the healthcare provider community with less than five years of service in a management role who have demonstrated outstanding knowledge and commitment and who exhibit potential in leadership and innovations.

**Diversity and Inclusion Award**
Recognizes a group or individual that creates or spearheads diversity initiatives that establish and foster a more inclusive and equitable environment. These initiatives advance diversity and inclusion for all.

**Strategy Action Award**
Recognizes an individual, group or organization that advocates strongly for healthcare and public health on the national, state or local level. Their strategic efforts have elevated awareness, increased understanding and served as a catalyst for public action to improve the health and well-being of all New Jerseyans. Nominees can include planning and strategy officers, general counsel and government relations officers.

**Innovation in Elder Services**
Recognizes multi-disciplinary leadership in elder services that advances, innovates or transforms service delivery. Nominees are individuals, groups, programs or elder facilities.

**Excellence in Patient Experience**
Recognizes individuals, groups or programs that implement successful initiatives or innovations to improve patient experience and satisfaction.

**Operational Transformation Award**
Recognizes an individual, group or organization that is reimagining business and operations to optimize efficiencies and best deliver on their mission to provide care. Nominees can serve in human relations, finance, supply chain, compliance, IT, facilities and other essential operations.

**Connect Award for Outstanding Communications**
Recognizes members’ internal or external communication campaigns across all media platforms and audiences. Nominations include campaigns that were successful in educating, informing or promoting health.

**Healthy New Jersey Award**
Recognizes an individual, group or program that demonstrates vision, innovations and impact in eliminating the social and economic conditions that are barriers to positive health outcomes.

**NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS AND DEADLINE:**
All award nominations must be submitted online no later than March 4.

- Each nomination must contain a written narrative supporting the nomination not to exceed 500 words. The narrative should include a detailed description of the nominated individual, program or organization and the impact, results or metrics associated with the nomination, if applicable.
- Nominators may also submit one PDF, not to exceed seven pages, with supporting documents, (i.e., CV, PDFs, deliverables, links).
- Entries that exceed the 500-word narrative or seven-page limit in supporting documents may not be considered.
- Nominations must be submitted online at www.njha.com/awards2022.
- A member log-in and password are not required, however, all nominations must be from member institutions; any others will not be considered.
- A panel of judges will review the nominations and select the award recipients. Award recipients will be notified in mid-May, non-winners will not be notified.
- Any questions regarding the categories or nomination process may be directed to Debbie Furchak at dfurchak@njha.com.